

1. (currently amended) A coating station, which is adapted for coating a web produced ~~with~~ by a forming machine with a selected coating material, ~~comprising the coating station including~~ a load-bearing and cross-directional frame, which extends substantially across the entire width of the web, as well as applicator elements supported ~~to~~ by the frame for applying the coating material to the surface of the web arranged to pass through the coating station, characterized in that ~~the frame comprises at least one cross component of a box-type structure formed of a plurality of sheet metal cells, the at least one cross component extending substantially across the entire width of the web, and end components, to which the at least one cross component is attached by its end parts~~

said frame includes opposing end components for attaching said frame to said forming machine, and at least one elongated cross component of a box-type structure extending along a longitudinal direction between and connecting said end components, said cross component including at least one partition wall disposed perpendicularly to said longitudinal direction in said cross component.

2. (previously presented) A coating station according to claim 1, characterized in that the at least one cross component is removably adapted to attach to the end components with one or more screw connections or similar.

3. (previously presented) A coating station according to claim 1, characterized in that arranged inside the at least one cross component there is at least one conduit extending substantially across the entire length of the at least one cross component.

4. (previously presented) A coating station according to claim 3, characterized in that the at least one conduit is formed of a profiled sheet metal blade, which is attached to that side of the at least one cross component, which is adapted straight, which thus forms a part of the conduit.

5. (original) A coating station according to claim 1, characterized in that the number of cross components is 1 - 4.

6. (original) A coating station according to claim 3, characterized in that the number of conduits is 1 - 5.

7. (previously presented) A coating station according to claim 1, characterized in that the end components are also made of sheet metal and are formed of two substantially similar sheet metal components, adapted at an interval from each other for forming a box-type structure.

8. (original) A coating station according to claim 1, characterized in that the thickness of the sheet metal is 0.5 - 5 mm.

9. (original) A coating station according to claim 8, characterized in that the thickness of the sheet metal is 1 - 3 mm.

10. (previously presented) A coating station according to claim 1, characterized in that the at least one cross component and the end components are laser-cut and laser-welded.

11. (previously presented) A coating station according to claim 1, characterized in that the applicator elements are non-contacting and comprise two nozzle units including nozzles, the therein included nozzles adapted to extend from inside the frame to the web side of the cross component for spraying the coating material onto the surface of the web.

12. (previously presented) A coating station according to claim 11, characterized in that the nozzle units are substantially similar and are adapted to operate alternately, for which purpose each nozzle unit has been determined operating and maintenance positions, wherein a disabled nozzle unit is arranged in the maintenance position, which is located in the machine direction, further away from the web than the operating position.

13. (original) A coating station according to claim 1, characterized in that the coating station comprises two substantially similar frame structures that include applicator elements, the frame structures being set opposed to and at an interval from each other, the web being thus adapted to pass between the frame structures for coating simultaneously both surfaces of the web.